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MEDICAL COLLEGES IN PUNJAB
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government and private medical colleges functioning in the country especially in Punjab during the current financial year;

(b) whether these colleges have sufficient infrastructures to run the colleges according to the requirements of National Standards;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of new medical colleges given recognition during the last three years, year-wise;

(e) whether the Government proposes to enhance the seats in such colleges;

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(g) the time by which the decisions is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) At present there are 138 medical colleges in Government Sector and 131 medical colleges in Private Sector functioning in the country. As far as State of Punjab is concerned, there are 3 Government Medical Colleges and 5 Private Medical Colleges. The permission for establishment of a new medical college is granted by the Central Government on the basis of the recommendations of Medical Council of India (MCI). The MCI conducts the inspections of the medical colleges and makes recommendations after verifying the teaching and infrastructural facilities there.

(d) The number of the new medical colleges given recognition during the last three years, year-wise is as under:

1. April, 2004 − March, 2005 : 6

2. April, 2005- March, 2006 : 4

3. April, 2006 − March, 2007 : 13

(e) to (g) The Central Government has given permission for increase of seats in respect of following medical colleges, state-wise:

1. Kamineni Institute of Medical Sciences, Narketpally, Nalkonda, Andhra Pradesh, from 100 to 150.

2. Narayana Medical College, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, from 100 to 150

3. Mahatma Gandhi Medical College & Research Institute, Pondicherry, from 100 to 150.